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Ecuador: draft resolution

Report of the Conference on Disarmament

The General Assembly,

Having considered the report of the Conference on Disarmament,[1]

Convinced that the Conference on Disarmament, as the single multilateral disarmament negotiating forum of the international community, has the primary role in substantive negotiations on priority questions of disarmament,

Recognizing the need to conduct multilateral negotiations with the aim of reaching concrete issues for negotiation,

Recalling, in this respect, that the Conference has a number of urgent and important issues for negotiation,

1. *Reaffirms* the role of the Conference on Disarmament as the single multilateral disarmament negotiating forum of the international community;

2. *Urges* the Conference on Disarmament to fulfil that role in the light of the evolving international situation, with a view to making early substantive progress on priority items on its agenda;

3. *Welcomes* the strong collective interest of the Conference on Disarmament in commencing substantive work as soon as possible during its 2002 session;

4. *Also welcomes* the decision of the Conference on Disarmament to request its current President to conduct appropriate consultations jointly with the incoming

[1] *Official Records of the General Assembly, Fifty-sixth Session, Supplement No. 27* (A/56/27).

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President during the inter-sessional period to try to achieve this goal, as expressed in paragraph 40 of the report of the Conference;[2]

5. *Further welcomes* the recommendation of the Conference on Disarmament, as expressed in paragraph 41 of its report,[3] to reappoint the Special Coordinator on Review of the Agenda of the Conference on Disarmament, the Special Coordinator on Expansion of Membership of the Conference on Disarmament and the Special Coordinator on Improved and Effective Functioning of the Conference on Disarmament as early as possible in its 2002 session;

6. *Requests* the Secretary-General to continue to ensure the provision to the Conference on Disarmament of adequate administrative, substantive and conference support services;

7. *Requests* the Conference on Disarmament to submit a report on its work to the General Assembly at its fifty-seventh session;

8. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its fifty-seventh session the item entitled "Report of the Conference on Disarmament".

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[2] Ibid., para. 40.
[3] Ibid., para. 41.